

HOUSE RESOLUTION 210  
By Naifeh

A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Patricia Martin Mills,  
on her selection as South Tipton County  
Chamber of Commerce Teacher of the Year.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those exemplary teachers who have given unreservedly of themselves to develop this state's most precious natural resource: our children; and

WHEREAS, Patricia Martin Mills is one such remarkable person, a voice of integrity in education; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Mills has recently been selected Teacher of the Year by the South Tipton County Chamber of Commerce, an honor most befitting her meritorious service to education and her devotion to the children she teaches; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Mills serves her students with enthusiasm, industry and singular acumen as a fourth grade teacher at Drummonds Elementary School; and

WHEREAS, born in Arkansas, Patricia Mills is a graduate of Munford High School and the University of Tennessee at Martin, where she received her bachelor's degree in 1985; she earned her master's degree from Memphis State University in 1990; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Mills began her student teaching at Drummonds Elementary, and her teaching gifts were surely realized as she was offered a permanent position at the school teaching fourth grade; she obtained the status of a Career Ladder 3 teacher in the Spring of 1993; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Mills is an extremely patient and giving person who motivates her students to reach their full potential; she is a never-ending source of inspiration to those who know and cherish her and is tremendously admired by students and fellow teachers alike; and

WHEREAS, Patricia Mills, along with her family, evinces a strong faith in the Lord through her membership at Randolph United Methodist Church; and

WHEREAS, her professional success aside, Ms. Mills is most appreciative of the love, support and assistance she receives from her husband, Bo Mills, and their three children, Marci, Carly and Nolan; and

WHEREAS, highly regarded as a professional and friend, Patricia Mills is the perfect example of a person totally committed to quality education and the highest ideals of public service, and should be specially recognized; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, That we hereby honor and congratulate Patricia Martin Mills on being chosen as the South Tipton County Chamber of Commerce Teacher of the Year, commend her meritorious service to education, salute her expertise and dedication as an instructor, and wish her all the best in her future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.